

ROLANDO OTERO

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-- Dispatch [HDCA] 11077 12/13/76 Secret

Re: list of members of CORU in Miami

Rolando Acosta'
Orlando Cordero
Armando Cruz
Salvador Gonzalez
Jorge Lorie
Rolando Otero
Wilfredo Salgado
Armando Montero (Chino)
Hector Cabrera
Rene Corvo
Tony Izquidero
Norberto Acosta, Jr.
Gustavo Castillo
Manolos Service (Osmel)
Angel Perez (Pello)

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MAIN FILE:

-- Doc Extract 200-012-200/01 DIR 117021 10/29/77

Summary of info to FBI and Asst US atty re investigation of Orlando Letelier, info on the organization of CORU.

-- Doc Extract 200-012-200/01 316-0360577 10/29/77

Summary of info to the FBI and US Asst Atty re investigation into the death of Letelier; info on the organization of CORU

-- Cable to FBI 115000 secret

Info that Eulalio Francisco "Frank" Castro Paz and Rolando Otero Hernandez traveled at least twice to see Alvaro Carta, Cuban born President of Gulf and Western Americas to seek economic assistance. (Comment: Carta now has top job with Gulf and Western in Coral Gables, FL.

Rubem Soto - close to Bosch & Frank Castro

Armando Caballeros - owner of Pizza restaurant in the Dominican Repub. who spoke openly about plans to assassinate "un gran funcionario Americano" in Costa Rica. (Comment: Note Cuban exiles planning assassination plot against Kissinger 1976 by

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Peter or Pedro Martinez. Source believed that Martinez resided in Miami.

One Armando Caballero Parodi, DOB Havana 7/10/41, former member of Brigade 2506. Terminated in May 1963.

Jorge Alonso Pujol - prob identical with Jorge Alonso Pujol Bermudez, DOB Havana 7/20/23. Son of former Vice Pres. Cuba-Guillermo Alonso Pujol under Carlos Prio. Rcvd training from CIA in 1961; captured at Bay of Pigs. Father reportedly paid \$100,00 for his release. Arrested 1970 on narcotics charges.

Andre Sargen prob identical with Andres Nazario Sargen born in Las Villas, 3/11/26. Long time anti-Castro activist and Secy Gen of Alpha 66

Jorge Mas Canosa prob identical with Jorge Lincoln Mas Canosa, DOB 9/21/39. Recruited by CIA in March 1961 to participate in the Bay of Pigs invasion. Active in RECE. January 1966 subject of Justice inquiry regarding certain individuals involved in a hit-and-run raid in the Havana Harbor Nov. 1965

Freddy Lugo prob identical with Lugo arrested in connection Cubana Airlines crash.

Germano Lozano arrested along with Lugo

General Juan Nepomuceno FOLCH Perez, air advisor to the executive branch, born in Puerto Plata, Dominican Republic, 8/3/26. Folch served as Secy of State for Dominican Air Force and more recently as Air Force Chief of Staff. In late May 1972 USDAO, Santo Domingo, reported that former Chief of the Cuban Nat'l Police, General Manuel Benitez Valdez, had visited the Dominican Republic in an effort to sell, to the Dominicans, armament and spare parts from a US-based firm which Benitez was representing. Benitez had contacted two Dominican Generals, one of them being Folch. USDAO commented that Folch's association with Cuban exiles and arms salesmen had been the subject of previous correspondence during 1972 and that Folch was allegedly involved with militant Cuban exile groups, such as Alpha 66, during 1962-1963.

-- Cable IN 385643 8/26/77 ¹⁶⁻²³ [Santiago]

RE: Comments ref debriefing of Otero.


-- Application for Brigade (#2731)

-- Doc Xtract 201-0742365 ²¹⁻¹⁰ [SDOM] 17911 12/9/76

Otero currently in prison-Mbr of Halcones Dorados Team.

-- Review of file 12/14/76

Former willing collaborator- relationship terminated



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-- Cable 943114 11/13/76 Secret'

Wash Post news article indicates Ricardo Morales Venez. Intelligence official, reported to FBI that he had been told of a plot to kill Pascal (Luis Andres Pascal Allende - relative of Allende). Otero said he went to DINA officials and identified himself as a fugitive from the US. At DINA HQs said he was told the secret police support the Cuban exiles cause and would provide funds and arms for them in return for a "favor." The favor was to kill Pascal and Anne Marie Brussier -sic- Beausire - in Costa Rica before 2/22/76. Bosch to be back-up if Otero failed in the mission. According to Otero, he refused to do the favor, left Chile and told Morales. Returned to Santiago and arrested two weeks earlier.

Bosch arrested 2/19/ entering Costa Rica and charged with false passport and plotting to kill Secy of State Henry Kissinger, Pascal and Brussier. No trial, Bosch deported. Returned to Santiago and apparently remained there until going to Caribbean to organize CORU.

This info suppressed at 76 sept trila of Otero- Otero found innocent.

Otero had lived in FL until late December 1975 when he was told by FBI informant that FBI was preparing to have him indicted on bombing charges. Otero then went to Dom Rep where he was arrested and paroled. When Miami Fed Grand Jury returned indictment against Otero, he flew to Caracas where stayed with Morales. Info in reports alleges that Otero was told that if Venez. authorities moved to arrest him, he could receive asylum with new Chilean ambassador. While in Caracas, Otero allegedly told Morales that he had committed the bombings in Miami and Morales passed this information to the FBI.

Much of info on plot to kill Pascal and Brussier could have come from Morales -- in FBI report. Morales was source of numerous secret Service reports during Kissinger visit to Caracas 2/76 on reported attempt to kill Kissinger.

-- message to FBI Secret 132557

Request info re Otero interrogation regarding connections between Cuban exiles and the Chilean Directorate of National Intelligence DINA, that may have been developed

-- Cable IN 081883 FBI 10/27/76

FBI did not develop info of this type

-- Cable IN 077749 TD-FIR DB 315/10576-76

Rolando Otero apprehended by DINA April 29. Informed FBI of arrest since wanted fugitive in US. Info that Otero planning Pascal assassination with Bosch-alleged Chilean sponsorship.

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-- Cable IN 913868 [SAGO] 34309 Secret

Re: arrest of Otero by DINA

-- Letter to FBI from DDO 5/10/76 CIR-316/01708-76

RE: Connection of Otero with Agency

Operational interest in Otero in 1960. Participant in Bay of Pigs.
Rcvd commando-type training. Contact and association terminated
late 1962.

-- Immed. traces FBI - 5/5/76

AKAs Rolando Papillon, DPOB 4/18/63

claimed CIA employment 1960-1962. Explosives-demolition man and
intelligence assistant.

-- Intelligence information cable IN 828992 2/17/76

Source advises Otero to attempt assassination of Pascal; Otero
expected in Caracas 2/17/76

Claim sponsorship of Chileian government

-- Message 805724 2/11/76 CIR -3106/20,024-76.Y

Info re threat to Kissinger by Otero

-- Message 804531 2/9/76

RE: FBI seeking Otero for pipe-bomb explosions in Miami Dec 1975.
Otero flew to Dom Rep 1/4/76, arrested by govt but released 1/20

-- Message 705055 Secret 092139Z

Otero believed pathfinder for Boasch's group which seeks to
assassinate Castro on visit to Caracas July 1975

-- Message 704047 061300Z

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Info recvd Otero, member of parachuting group known as "Falcons"
comprised mainly of Cuban exiles led by Frank Castro, head of FLNC.
Castro living in Dom Rep. Told Otero to contact Ruben Martinez
in Caracas... In Caracas for "action." Soon to be joined by
Humberto Lopez

-- Bio info Otero- 4/27/67 INS
Residences last five years:

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1961-1962 Cuban prison
4/63-12/63 Los Angeles, Calif.
1/64-7/65 " "
8/65- New Yor, New York

Most recent employment listed - Allstate Investigation, 2085
Lexington Ave
Lists several jobs for 66-67 period. Nothing regarding anyhting
earlier.